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SUBJECT: FRENCH PURCHASE SOVIET ENRICHMENT SERVICES

1. RE SCI REQUEST, FRENCH PURCHASE 250,000 SEPARATIVE WORK UNITS OF TOLL ENRICHMENT SERVICES FROM USSR IN 1971. COST WAS BETWEEN 30 AND 40 MILLION FRANCS OR 6 TO 8 MILLION DOLLARS. FROM THE 450 TONS OF URANIUM ORE DELIVERED TO USSR, ABOUT 75 TONS OF URANIUM ENRICHED TO 3PERCENT WAS RECEIVED BY THE FRENCH.

2. ACCORDING TO FRENCH COMMISSARIAT A L'ENERGIE ATOMIQUE, WHICH SUPPLIED ABOVE INFO, AND TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, THERE HAS BEEN NO OTHER FRENCH PURCHASES OF SOVIET ENRICHMENT SERVICES NOR DO WE KNOW OF ANY NEGOTIATIONS FOR THAT PURPOSE. WE DOUBT THAT FRENCH WILL MAKE ANY PURCHASES UNTIL THEY REACH A DECISION ON THEIR OWN PLANS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A LARGE GASEOUS DIFFUSION PLANT.
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